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Robert D. Drain

Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: June 1957
Education: Yale 1979 BA; Columbia 1984 JD
Began Service: May 2002
Term Expires: May 2016

Legal Practice: Partner, Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP

Current Memberships: The Association of the Bar of the City of New York

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James M. Peck

Bankruptcy Judge

Education: Dartmouth 1967 BA; NYU 1971 JD
Began Service: 2006

Legal Practice: Partner, Schulte Roth & Zabel LLP (1990); Associate and Partner, Duane, Morris LLP (1975-1990)

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Burton R. Lifland

Bankruptcy Judge (recalled)

Date of Birth: 1929
Education: Syracuse 1951 BS; Fordham 1954 JD
Began Service: 1980
Term Expires: 2008

Judicial: Chief Judge, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (1984-1996); Chief Judge, United States Bankruptcy Appellate Panel for the Second Circuit (1996-1999)

Current Memberships: American College of Bankruptcy, Fellow; Association of the Bar of the City of New York; Bankruptcy Bar Association; Federal Bar Association; National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges; New York County Lawyers Association; United Nations Commission on International Trade Law

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Richard J. Arcara

Chief Judge

Date of Birth: 1940
Education: St Bonaventure 1962 BA; Villanova 1965 JD
Began Service: June 1, 1988
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan
Political Affiliation: Republican

Academic: Lecturer, State University of New York at Buffalo

Government: Attorney, Office of the United States Attorney, United States Department of Justice (1969-1981); District Attorney, State of New York (1982-1988)

Legal Practice: Lipsitz, Green, Fahringer, Roll, Schuller & James (1968-1969)

Military Service: United States Army (1966-1967)

Current Memberships: American Judicature Society; National Association of Former United States Attorneys

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David G. Larimer

District Judge

Date of Birth: 1944
Education: St John Fisher 1966 BA; Notre Dame 1969 JD
Began Service: November 8, 1987
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan
Political Affiliation: Republican

Academic: Adjunct Instructor of Real Estate, St. John Fisher College (1978-1981)

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable Joseph C. McGarraghy (1969-1970)

Government: Assistant United States Attorney, Western District of New York, Office of the United States Attorney, United States Department of Justice (1970-1975); Chief Appellate Law Assistant, Appellate Division, United States Supreme Court (1979-1981); Personal Law Assistant, Appellate Division, United States Supreme Court (1982)

Judicial: Magistrate Judge, United States Court for the Western District of New York (1983-1987); Chief Judge, United States District Court for the Western District of New York

Legal Practice: Beckerman, Davidson, Cook & Fink (1975-1978); Lapine & Larimer (1978-1979); Greisberger, Zicari, McConville, Cooman & Morin (1982-1984)

Current Memberships: District of Columbia Bar; Monroe County Bar Association; New York State Bar

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William M. Skretny

District Judge

Date of Birth: 1945
Education: Canisius 1966 AB;
Howard U 1969 JD; Northwestern 1972 LL.M.
Began Service: October 1, 1990
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush
Political Affiliation: Republican

Government: Assistant United States Attorney, Northern District of Illinois, Office of the United States Attorney, United States Department of Justice (1971-1973); First Assistant United States Attorney, Western District of New York, Office of the United States Attorney, United States Department of Justice (1975-1980); First Deputy District Attorney, County of Erie, New York (1983-1988)

Legal Practice: Partner, Duke, Holzman, Yaeger & Radlin (1981-1983); Counsel, Gross, Shuman, Brizdle and Gillfillan, PC (1988-1989); Counsel, Cox Barrell (1989-1990)

Current Memberships: Federal Judges Association

Staff

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Education: SUNY (Buffalo) JD

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Charles J. Siragusa

District Judge

Date of Birth: 1947
Education: Le Moyne 1969 BA; Albany Law 1976 JD
Began Service: December 15, 1997
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

Academic: Teacher, St. James School (1969-1973)

Government: Assistant District Attorney, County of Monroe, New York (1977-1984); First Assistant District Attorney, County of Monroe, New York (1984-1992)

Judicial: Justice, New York Supreme Court, Seventh Judicial District (1993-1997)

Current Memberships: Federal Bar Association; Federal Judges Association; Monroe County Bar Association

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John T. Curtin

Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1921
Education: Canisius 1946 BS; SUNY (Buffalo) 1949 LL.B.
Began Service: December 23, 1967
Appointed By: President Lyndon B. Johnson
Political Affiliation: Democrat

Government: United States Attorney, Western District of New York, United States Department of Justice (1961-1967)

Legal Practice: Sole Practitioner (1949-1961)

Military Service: United States Marine Corps Reserve (1942-1945); United States Marine Corps Reserve (1952-1954)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; Erie County Bar Association; New York State Bar

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